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RICK PERRY GOVERNOR February 5, 2002

Mr. Gregg A. Cooke Regional Administrator, 6-A U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

RE: Proposed Listing on the Federal National Priorities List (NPL) of the Falcon Refinery site

Dear Mr. Cooke:

Texas supports the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision that the Falcon Refinery site be considered as a candidate site for the Federal National Priorities List (NPL) for cleanup.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) and the Attorney General's Office have actively sought to address this site under the Texas programs. The TNRCC believes that this site is eligible for proposed NPL listing based on EPA and TNRCC evaluations of the site under the Federal Hazard Ranking System.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Rick Perny Governor

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cc: Mr. Robert J. Huston, Chairman, TNRCC

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